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Sri M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" The Hon. Minister stated that there were only six cases of re-appointment. Are there any more Public Prosecutors who have been appointed as Special Public Prosecutors ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I would like to have notice."

Sri S. RAMALINGAM :—" ஐந்து, ஆறு இடங்களில் பப்ளிக் பிராஸிகியூடர் வேலை காலியிருக்கிறது என்று விளம்பரம் செய்து புதிய அப்ளிகேஷன்களை வரவழைத்துவிட்டு மீண்டும் பழைய பப்ளிக் பிராஸிகியூடர்களுக்கே அந்த வேலையைக் கொடுப்பதால் அந்த ஜில்லாக்களில் அவர்களைவிட திறமையான வக்கீல்கள் இல்லை என்று சர்க்கார் கருதுகிறதா ? அதனால்தான் பழைய பப்ளிக் பிராஸிகியூடர்களையே மீண்டும் அவ்வேலையில் தொடர்ந்து அமர்த்துகிறார்களா ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Normally the policy of the Government is to appoint a person as Public Prosecutor for a second term if found suitable in all respects. That policy is well-known to every lawyer."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Probably the Hon. Minister is referring to permanent re-appointments. May I know whether there have been any temporary re-appointments of the old incumbents and whether the Public Prosecutor in Tellicherry has been temporarily re-appointed ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Either he is appointed as Public Prosecutor or he is not. In other cases Special Prosecutors are appointed for special cases. I do not know whether the hon. Member is referring to the appointment of Special Public Prosecutors with reference to specific cases, or the regular appointment as Public Prosecutors."

DEPUTY SPEAKER :—" Question Nos. 2129, 2132 and 2135 will be taken up on 20th August 1955 as the Hon. Minister concerned is away from headquarters."

Kist collections for poramboke lands

* 2130 *Q.*—Sri S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri C. Kandasamy) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state —

(*a*) whether it is a fact that water-rate at the rate of Rs. 150 per acre is being ordered to be collected for 1955 kist collections for the poramboke lands cultivated by peasants in Tiruturaipundi taluk, Tanjore district ; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) & (*b*) Rule VI of the Cauvery Water-cess Rules requiring the levy of a penalty of Rs. 150 per acre for irrigation without permission was relaxed originally on the ground that the extent irrigated in the Cauvery-Mettur Project area in the Tanjore district

did not reach the target fixed and that application of this rule might affect further development. In December 1952, it was brought to the notice of the Government that on account of this concession, the revenue authorities could not prevent irrigation of some high level lands by cross-bunding of channels, etc., to the detriment of the regular ayacut. After consulting the Board of Revenue and the Chief Engineer (Irrigation), the Government ordered that relaxation of this penal rule should not be resorted to from fasli 1364 and that the extent of 6,507 acres which had been so far irrigated without permission should be dealt with on merits of each case pending inclusion in the ayacut. On receipt of numerous representations from the ryots all over the district protesting against the levy of penal water cess Rs. 150 per acre, the Collector of Tanjore has stayed the collection of penalty pending final orders of the Government in the matter. The whole question is being re-examined now."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" இவ்வருஷம், அதாவது 1955 56-ல் கூட, ஒரு ஏகராவுக்கு ரூபாய் 150 வீதம் தண்ணீர் வரி கொடுக்க வேண்டுமென்று சொல்லி, கிராமத்தில் இருக்கக்கூடிய அதிகாரிகள் நோட்டீஸ் கொடுத்திருக்கிறார்கள். இதனால் பழையபடி கிராமங்களில் விவசாயிகளிடத்தில் பெரிய பீதி வளர்ந்து கொண்டிருக்கிறது. ஆகையினால் இந்த விஷயத்தில் சர்க்கார் இறுதியாக முடிவு செய்யும் வரையில் விவசாயிகளுக்கு இம்மாதிரியான நோட்டீஸ்கள் கொடுக்கக்கூடாது என்று சர்க்கார் உத்திரவு போடுவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" I have already stated that the Collector of Tanjore has stayed the collection of penalty pending final orders of the Government in the matter."

School fees in Government schools

* 2131 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether standard rates of school fees are fixed for students in Government schools by the Government; and

(*b*) whether the Government aided institutions are instructed to adopt these rates?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) No, Sir."

(Question No. 2132 to be taken up on 20th August 1955.)

Lands made cultivable on the slopes of 'Agamalai'

* 2133 *Q.*—SRI V. MADANAGOPAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the number of acres of land that were brought under cultivation by the landless poor on the slopes of 'Agamalai' near Bodinayakkanur in Madurai district?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" 218·53 acres."